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**EL PASO MAN SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON FOR POSSESSING CHILD PORN**

**United States Attorney Johnny Sutton** announced that 41-year-old Luis Saul Sandoval of El Paso was sentenced this morning to 87 months in federal prison for possession of child pornography.

In addition to the prison term, United States District Judge Frank Montalvo ordered that Sandoval be placed under supervised release for a period of eight years after completing his prison term.

Sandoval pleaded guilty to the charge on November 1, 2005. By pleading guilty, Sandoval admitted that from February 17, 2004 and continuing through and including on or about March 11, 2004, he knowingly possessed matter containing one or more visual depictions, including five (5) photographs and pictures, and one (1) film and video, involving the use of a person under the age of eighteen (18), engaging in sexually explicit conduct. Sandoval further admitted to collecting child pornography by using Internet file sharing software.

On March 11, 2004, investigators with the Texas Attorney General's Cyber Crimes Unit executed a search warrant at Sandoval's residence. According to the forensic analysis completed on the evidence recovered, at least 134 matches existed evidencing a known child victim. Additionally, a total of 1,246 notable child pornography files (1,184 images and 62 videos) matching suspected child pornography databases were discovered and documented.

This case was investigated by the Texas Attorney General's Cyber Crimes Unit and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney William Lewis.

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